

*We are a joyful, inclusive, compassionate community of faith  
seeking to do justice, act mercifully, and walk humbly with our God.  
Loving God...Changing Lives*



## **OAK GROVE**

### **PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**September 6, 2020**

**9:30 AM**

### **We Assemble in God's Name**

**Prelude** Nancy Hauser

**Welcome and Announcements/Lighting of the Christ Candle** Mary Koon

**Call to Worship** Judy Cooper

One: Listen! The Lord calls out to us, offering life!

**All: Teach us; lead us. O Lord, turn us to your ways.**

One: Help us to know what to keep and what to let go.

**All: Nourish us with communion even when we cannot be physically present with each other.**

One: We grow and we learn different ways of praising you.

Let us remember that your presence never fails or falls away.

**All: Fill us with your Spirit as we try new things in this season of living.**

**Opening Song No. 619** "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"

<sup>1</sup>Praise, my soul, the God of heaven;  
glad of heart your carols raise;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
who, like me, should sing God's praise?  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise the Maker all your days!

<sup>2</sup>Praise God for the grace and favor  
shown our forebears in distress;  
God is still the same forever,  
slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Sing our Maker's faithfulness!

<sup>3</sup>Like a loving parent caring,  
God knows well our feeble frame,  
gladly all our burdens bearing,

still to countless years the same.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
All within me, praise God's name!

**Opening Prayer** Judy Cooper

**Almighty God, whose ways are far beyond our understanding, help us to trust your judgments so that we may do your will by loving you and one another. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

## We Listen and Are Nourished with God's Word

**Time for the Young and Young at Heart** Mary Koon  
**Sending Song** "Near or Far" J McKinnon

Near or far apart, Close and far away. Serving God's joy,  
You're always in my heart. Resting in God's peace, United in God's love.  
God's love is here to stay, Praying for God's hope,

**Special Music** "Psalm 42" Kelly/Franklin

**Scripture** Exodus 12:1-14 Anne Fisher

**Message** "The Challenging Table" Anne Fisher

### **Time of Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts**

**Offering Music** "Laudamus Te" Mozart  
*Laudamus te, Benedicimus te, Adoramus te, Glorificamus te*  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee

**Prayers of Dedication** Judy Cooper

Loving God, may what we do, what we think and what we give be a testimony of your love in this world. Make us instruments of your peace. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

**Invitation to the Lord's Supper** Mary Koon

**Song of Invitation No. 506** "Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table!"

<sup>1</sup>Look who gathers at Christ's table!  
Hear the stories that they bring.  
Some are weeping; some are laughing;  
some have songs they want to sing.  
Others ask why they're invited,  
burdened by the wrong they've done.  
Christ insists they all are welcome.  
There is room for everyone.

<sup>4</sup>Bring your joy and bring your sadness,  
and prepare to be surprised  
by the host whose hands are wounded,  
who will open wide your eyes  
when he blesses bread and breaks it—  
truth and manna from above!—  
and then passes wine that wakens  
in your heart the taste of love.

**The Prayer of Thanksgiving/Lord's Prayer** Anne Fisher

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

**Words of Institution**

Anne Fisher

**Sharing of the Bread and Cup**

**Prayer Following Communion**

Mary Koon

**Loving God, your table is the World. Let us now go and serve each other in the name of love for one another. Amen.**

**We Respond to God's Call**

**Closing Song No. 637**

**"Oh Sing to the Lord"**

<sup>1</sup>O sing to the Lord;  
O sing God a new song.  
O sing to the Lord; O sing God a new song.  
O sing to the Lord; O sing God a new song.  
O sing to our God; O sing to our God.

<sup>4</sup>O shout to our God,  
who gave us the Spirit.  
O shout to our God, who gave us the Spirit.  
O shout to our God, who gave us the Spirit.  
O sing to our God; O sing to our God.

<sup>2</sup>For God is the Lord,  
and God has done wonders.  
For God is the Lord,  
and God has done wonders.  
For God is the Lord,  
and God has done wonders.  
O sing to our God; O sing to our God.

<sup>5</sup>For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!  
For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!  
For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!  
O sing to our God; O sing to our God.

**Benediction**

Anne Fisher

**Response No. 766 "The Church of Christ Cannot be Bound"**

**The church of Christ cannot be bound by walls of wood or stone.  
Where charity and love are found there can the church be known.**

**Postlude**

Nancy Hauser

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Additional participants in worship today include:  
Vocalist/Hymn Leader, **Jessi McKinnon**;  
Sound, Light, Video, **Bob Gerdes** and **Greg Johnson**.

**Chancel flowers** are given by **Al & Lila Netten** in *memory of brothers, Leroy & Bill* and by **Margaret Koch** in *loving memory of husband, Paul Koch*.

**Virtual Coffee Hour** — **Larry Klueh** will host our virtual coffee today at 10:45 am (following the worship service that begins at 9:30 am). Please zoom in to enjoy one another's company and catch up in a relaxed (virtual) way! Join the Zoom meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86052282002?pwd=c1YvZVFjdVFEUnVGdWpPL3BHVIJJdz09> Use Meeting ID: 860 5228 2002 and Passcode: 499542 — Or dial in with your phone (audio only -- no video). Call 1-312-626-6799 and use Meeting ID and Passcode above.

### Virtual WoW! Begins September 16

Each group will meet at 6:30 via zoom – we'll provide links closer to the date. The links will remain the same throughout the fall.

# WoW!

- K-5th will meet for 30 minutes for highs and lows, a story and game.
- 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> will meet for an hour of confirmation.
- High school will NOT meet on Wednesdays this fall, but will meet Sunday evenings.
- Adults will meet with Pastors Anne, Mary Pol or Mary Koon for Bible Study or book study from 6:30 -7:30. **On September 16, 23, 30 and October 7** via Zoom, Rev. Gregg Dana and Pastor Anne Fisher will lead a discussion of "**Voices of Today: Contemporary Prophetic Voices that have Changed Our World View.**" Watch announcements for the Zoom link.



### Car Rally Rally Day – September 13, 10:15 – 11:30 am

This year we will celebrate Rally Day in a whole new way! We will offer virtual worship from 9:30 – 10 am, and then invite you to hop into your car and drive over to Oak Grove for a drive-through party from 10:15 - 11:30 am. This is our way to say hello and to thank you for "*Living Church Beyond Walls!*" The Mardi Gras Jazz combo, a 5-piece band, will play music, we'll enjoy Morris Dancing and collect Noisy Offering for supporting children in Minneapolis. Committee representatives, including Youth and Children's leaders, will be on hand to give a friendly wave and connect in person! We can't wait to see you on the 13<sup>th</sup>! **Please follow the arrows through the parking lot from Penn Ave!**

